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DATE: December 5, 2013

TO: All Potential Vendors

FROM: Jolena Missildine, RFQQ Coordinator

SUBJECT: Vendor Questions and Answers

for ACQ-2013-1107- RFQQ for Radio Frequency Identification

(RFID) Tolling Technology Procurement

## **Executive Summary:**

This document is prepared by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and shall serve as the sole official reply to Vendor Questions submitted in response to ACQ-2013-1107-RFQQ released on November 19, 2013 for Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Tolling Technology Procurement.

Questions and responses are numbered for ease of reference only and are in no particular order or priority. Questions and comments have generally been stated as they were received except that some questions have been modified to maintain vendor confidentiality or to reduce redundancies. The answers may only explain or clarify some aspect that is already addressed in the RFQQ. It is important that Vendors review <u>all</u> questions and answers.

## **Vendor Questions and Official Answers**

1. Question: Please advise if proposals will be accepted from vendors whose Transponders are responsive solely to the third part of paragraph 1.21 on page 5 which describes an RFID transponder requirement in "Any other tolling related form factor." Our Company manufactures the HOT transponders for one of the nation's leading HOT High Occupancy Toll lane operators. We do not supply ISO 18000-6C sticker tags, nor Self-Declaration transponders.

**Answer:** Vendors may submit proposals for any transponder in use for toll collection in North America. WSDOT prefers proposals from vendors for ISO 18000 6C transponders.

2. **Question**: Alternatively, will proposals be accepted only from vendors who supply the full spectrum of transponder needs, or from system integrators who can supply some the equipment directly themselves, with the rest by pass-through of products acquired from others.

**Answer:** Proposals will be accepted by those Vendors who meet the all of the Mandatory Requirements of the RFQQ.

3. **Question**: What are the annual estimated quantities for the different transponders?

**Answer:** Interior Mounted Sticker Transponder: 300,000 – 750,000, Interior Mounted Hard Case HOV Self Declare Transponder: 100,000 for 2014 and 2015.

4. **Question**: Section 1.6Acquisition Schedule – We respectfully request WSDOT consider changing the Vendor Response Due date to January 13, 2014, allowing vendors sufficient time for RFQQ review to provide responsible proposals.

**Answer:** Please see Amendment 1.